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Mr. Ralph Dollhopf
Federal On-Scene Coordinator and Incident Commander
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
801 Garfield Avenue, #229
Traverse City, MI 49686

Re: In the Matter of Enbridge Energy Partners, L.P., *et al*, Docket No. CWA 1321-5-10-001

Dear Mr. Dollhopf:

As a follow-up to our letter dated May 29, 2012, Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership (Enbridge) reiterates our position that Control Point E 4.5 should not be re-installed as requested by United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). Enbridge continues to have concerns regarding the effectiveness of such a deployment and believes that some aspects could actually be detrimental to the project. In addition, Enbridge believes that modifications to the existing Control Point E 4.0 can be made to achieve the goal of aiding in the containment of the remaining submerged oil within the delta region of Morrow Lake.

Enbridge continues to collect and evaluate additional information to provide a greater understanding of sediment movement within Morrow Lake and the fan area and believes that any decision on re-deployment of Control Point E 4.5 is premature until the evaluation is completed. This information is being collected by a combination of monitoring and sampling efforts that include:

- Monitoring of 65 locations on Morrow Lake by performing ongoing poling activities,
- Collection of additional sediment cores to assess remaining oil present in sediments,
- Collection of sheen net samples for forensic chemistry evaluation,
- Collection of velocity measurements adjacent to Control Point E 4.0, 2011 E 4.5 previous location, the west end of Morrow Lake, and at other select locations.

As an alternative to containment at E 4.5, Enbridge is making modifications to existing containment within the neck of Morrow Lake to retain sediment before entering the lake's fan. Control Point E 4.0 is being enhanced by changing the existing curtain to a series of half-curtain configurations as presented to the FOSC on June 19, 2012 .. These configurations should maintain containment effectiveness, while limiting impacts to the lake's natural patterns. Also as discussed during June 19 meeting Enbridge will provide requested information: site drawings, engineering design considerations, and performance objectives.

In conclusion, Enbridge believes that redeployment of Control Point E 4.5 would be ineffective and may even prove detrimental in meeting the objectives of the U.S. EPA's current directive and therefore should not be installed. The modifications being made to Control Point E 4.0 should provide the necessary containment to retain sediment within the neck of Morrow Lake under most conditions and is therefore a better alternative.

Please contact myself or Enbridge's Incident Commander John Sobojinski if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

ENBRIDGE ENERGY, LIMITED
PARTNERSHIP
By Enbridge Pipelines (Lakehead) L.L.C.
Its General Partner

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